



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

*Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge*



## 2013- 2014 Okefenokee NWR Hunts

### HUNTS

#### Deer and Feral Hog

**Archery (Either Sex):** Cowhouse Unit; Sept. 14-30, Oct. 6-8, Oct. 13-17, Sign-In. Pocket Unit: Sept. 14-Oct. 11, Foot traffic only off paved road, No dogs, Sign-In/out required.

**Primitive weapons (Either sex):** Cowhouse Unit; Oct. 2-5, Check-In. Oct 10-12, Sign-In

**Firearms (Buck only):** Cowhouse Unit; Oct. 19-20, Oct. 26-29, Sign-In.

**Firearms (Either Sex):** Cowhouse Unit; Nov. 7-9, Check-In. Nov. 27 – Dec. 1, Sign-In. Dec. 7-10, Check-In. Suwannee Canal Unit: Oct. 25-26; Quota 30; First Come-First Serve. Permit fee and Check-In/Out Required. Suwannee Canal Unit: **Wheelchair Hunters Only**; Oct. 25-26; Quota 10; First Come-First Serve. Permit fee and Check-In/Out Required.

#### Small Game

**Firearms (Shotgun and Birdshot):** Cowhouse Unit (Quail, Rabbit, & Squirrel Only): Aug. 15- Sept. 30, Oct. 6- Nov. 5, Nov. 10- Feb. 28. Pointing dogs allowed for quail hunting only. No furbearer season. Feral hogs may be taken during small game dates after Oct. 31. Sign-In at Dixon Memorial WMA or at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

#### Turkey

**Firearms (Shotgun):** Cowhouse Unit; Mar. 22- May 15, 2014. In accordance with Dixon Memorial WMA regulations. Sign-In at Dixon Memorial WMA or at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

**Alligator hunting is prohibited on the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge.**

**SPECIAL REGULATIONS:** Suwannee Canal Unit: Chesser Island for wheelchair hunters only.

Wheelchair hunters must provide a Quota Hunt Physicians Statement Form upon check-in, which is located on the Refuge website ([www.fws.gov/okefenokee/hunting](http://www.fws.gov/okefenokee/hunting)). Shotguns with slugs or muzzleloaders only. Shooting hours close at noon. Hunt is first come-first serve and limited to the first 30 hunters (10 additional slots reserved for wheelchair hunters); hunters will be charged a \$12.50 permit fee. Hunters may line up for check-in no earlier than 4:00 a.m. A special refuge tag will be provided for up to two harvested deer upon check-out. Harvested deer do not count towards state bag limit. No dogs allowed. Check in/out required.

**Cowhouse Island Unit:** Foot traffic only; No dogs allowed except pointing dogs for hunting quail; Sign-In/Out at Dixon Memorial WMA or at refuge Cowhouse kiosk if on refuge property.

**Pocket Unit:** Foot traffic only off paved roads; No Dogs allowed; No Alligator hunting; Sign-In/Out required.

Call the Visitor Center for more information 9 am – 5 pm daily at (912) 496-7836.

### FREE HUNTER EDUCATION COURSES

Residents and non-residents born on or after Jan. 1, 1961 and are 12 years old or older must successfully complete a hunter education course prior to purchasing a season hunting license to hunt outside their own land. To register for a course, sign-up online at [www.gohuntgeorgia.com/education](http://www.gohuntgeorgia.com/education).